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## INDIAN EDUCATION FALL 2008 ANNUAL DATA COLLECTION SUMMARY



**This summary reflects the responses from 842 schools in October 2008 regarding Indian Education for All and Indian Student Achievement.**

Does your district have a board approved policy on the implementation of MCA 20-1-501, Indian Education for All?

- Yes – 820 (97.4%)
- No – 22 (2.6%)
- On last year's survey, 784 (93%) schools said yes and 60 (7%) said no.

Have your school board members received training regarding Indian Education for All in the past year?

- Yes – 399 (47.4%)
- No – 443 (52.6%)

Have your administrator(s) received training regarding Indian Education for All in the past year?

- Yes – 749 (89%)
- No – 93 (11%)

How would you rate your teachers' overall background knowledge: (scale of low-medium-high)

Contemporary Issues				History		
	Number	Percent	Percent In 2005	Number	Percent	Percent in 2005
• Low	87	10.3%	28%	32	3.8%	11%
• Medium	642	76.2%	62%	627	74.5%	74%
• High	113	13.4%	10%	183	21.7%	15%

Government Structures and Sovereignty				Treaties and Federal Policy		
	Number	Percent	Percent 2005	Number	Percent	Percent 2005
● Low	265	31.5%	50%	335	39.8%	57%
● Medium	517	61.4%	46%	468	55.6%	41%
● High	60	7.1%	4%	39	4.6%	2%
Arts and Literature						
	Number	Percent	Percent 2005			
● Low	61	7.2%	20%			
● Medium	598	71.0%	66%			
● High	183	21.7%	14%			
● Fourteen schools indicated low in all areas, 257 indicated medium in all areas, and 24 indicated high in all areas.						

Which OPI Indian Education materials and resources have been used in your school? Check all that apply.

Material/Resource	Number	%	% 2007
• Web site . . . . .	766	91	91.5
• American Indians 101 . . . . .	498	59.1	56.0
• Connecting Cultures . . . . .	528	62.7	62.3
• Essential Understandings. . . . .	604	71.7	64.8
• Evaluating American Indian Materials and Resources . . . . .	468	55.6	51.1
• Guide for Evaluating Indian Education Programs/Materials. . . . .	300	35.6	36.7
• History and Foundation of American Indian Education . . . . .	271	32.2	34.6
• Indian Education Literature and Resource Guidance . . . . .	491	58.3	60.7
• Montana Indians: Their History and Location . . . . .	565	67.1	67.2
• OPI Indian Education DVDs . . . . .	630	74.8	70.4
• Ready-to-Go Materials. . . . .	192	22.8	20.4
• Reference Materials Sent to Libraries . . . . .	665	79.0	79.6
• Social Studies Model Lessons. . . . .	493	58.6	53.9
• Your Guide to Understanding and Enjoying Pow Wows . . . . .	267	31.7	23.3
• None . . . . .	14	1.7	.5
• Fifty-eight schools, or 6.9%, indicated they used all the resources.			

Which type of professional development would best meet your staff's needs for training regarding Indian Education for All? (check only one answer)

Professional Development Type	School Responses	
	Number	%
• On-site Training	475	56.4
• Web-based Training	171	20.3
• Conferences	164	19.5
• College Courses	32	3.8

What do you see as your school's greatest need to effectively implement Indian Education for All?  
Rate from 1-6 with 1 as your greatest need.

	<u>School Responses</u>		
	Number	Percent	Percent in 2007
• Teacher Training	278	33.0	32.6%
• Curriculum Integration	188	22.3	23.8%
• Sample Lessons/Units	136	16.2	13.0%
• Materials/Content	89	10.6	10.7%
• Presenters/Guest Speakers	87	10.3	6.6%
• Background Information	64	7.6	8.8%

Indian Education for All funds for the 2007-09 biennium are limited to curriculum development, providing curriculum materials to students, and providing training to teachers about curriculum and materials. What are your school's plans for these funds during the coming year? Check all that apply. Note: These figures do not include the 20 private, non-public schools that are accredited by the Board of Public Education that are required to complete the Annual Data Collection.

Type of Use	<u>School Responses</u>		
	Number	Percent	Percent in 2007
• Providing curriculum materials to students	617	75.2	74.8%
• Curriculum development	609	74.3	80.5%
• Training regarding curriculum materials	574	70.0	80.3%

What are your district's plans for using the 2007-09 biennium American Indian Student Achievement gap funding for this year? Check all that apply. These figures reflect the responses from the 595 schools which indicated they have American Indian students enrolled.

Note: These figures do not include the 20 private, non-public schools that are accredited by the Board of Public Education that are required to complete the Annual Data Collection.

Topic	<u>School Use of Funds</u>		
	Number	Percent	Percent in 2007 (693)
• Professional Development	415	69.7	81.7
• Purchase Library Books	357	60.0	63.9
• Curriculum Review and/or Development	326	54.8	64.4
• Presenters/Guest Speakers	314	52.8	55.8
• Field Trips	291	48.9	51.5
• Purchase Textbooks	219	36.8	46.2
• Tutoring/Other After-School Programs	176	29.6	26.1
• Provide Student Incentives	119	20.0	15.3
• Incorporate Programs and Services	110	18.5	29.7
• Develop/Implement Summer School Programs/Materials	94	15.8	15.6

• Hire Teachers/Staff	52	8.7	14.7
• Credit Recovery Programs/Materials	46	7.7	16.3
• Other	41	6.9	3.6
• Develop/Implement Dropout Prevention Programs/Materials	36	6.1	10.8